LRC Study Committee on Common Core State Standards AGENDA

February 20, 2014

10:00 A.M., ROOM 643 Legislative Office Building

Representative Holloway, presiding

Welcome and Introductions

Senator Soucek, Co-Chair Representative Holloway, Co-Chair

NC Perspectives on the Common Core State Standards

The Honorable Dan Forest, Lieutenant Governor

Department of Public Instruction

Dr. June Atkinson, Superintendent

The NC Department of Public Instruction has been asked to respond to the following requests for information:

- Outline the flexibility that North Carolina has for modifying, adding to, or outright removing any of the Common Core standards? What is the process through which NC could make these changes, i.e., is the process initiated by the State Board? What, if any, approval is required? What is the timeline? How will changes be communicated to LEAs?
- Provide evidence for the claim that the Common Core Standards are internationally benchmarked.
- Provide detailed specifics on amount of training provided to teachers on the new Common Core and NC Essential Standards – for Common Core specifically, how many teachers were trained and at what cost? How was training conducted?

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